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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Conkling, Mark  
Appl. No. : Unknown (U.S. National Phase of  
PCT/US2004/016958)  
Filed : Herewith  
For : METHOD OF REDUCING THE  
HARMFUL EFFECTS OF  
ORALLY OR  
TRANSDERMALLY  
DELIVERED NICOTINE  
Examiner : Unassigned  
Group Art Unit : Unknown

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following  
amendment.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.